



CALIFORNIA CHAMBER of COMMERCE

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Mr. Lester Snow, Executive Director
CALFED Bay-Delta Program
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Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Lester:

The California Chamber of Commerce supports the established time frame for the projected release of the CALFED recommendations and urges your proposal to incorporate principles supported by the California business community. These principles, first published in the "Water Policy Crossroads, The Crisis Facing California's Current and Future Water Supply," are supported by a broad cross section of business interests and incorporate the topics of conservation, recycling, conjunctive use, transfers, additional storage and a Delta Transfer Facility.

The California Chamber of Commerce, which is a strong proponent of the CALFED process as a member of the Bay-Delta Advisory Committee, believes the incorporation of these principles will ensure a successful solution to the Bay-Delta process. We have included these principles on the attached document.

It is important that the current deadline for delivering CALFED's recommendations is met. Any delay in the time frame inhibits job development and economic growth in California. Considering the length of time it will take to implement the recommendations and the state's need to secure an adequate and reliable source of water, staying on track is crucial.

Sincerely,

Kirk West,
President

Allan Zarembek,
Executive Vice President

Enclosure